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DAILY NEWSPAPER FOR THE CREW OF USS JOHN C. STENNIS (CVN 74)

JLA wants more junior PO's

by JO2 Travis Meadors

The USS JOHN C. STENNIS (CVN 74) Unified Leaders Association (ULA) is looking to widen its membership base by recruiting motivated Second and Third Class Petty Officers who want to play a bigger role in their command and the community.

"The ULA's goal is to have total command involvement and enhance the health and comfort of Sailors onboard USS John C. Stennis," said ULA President BM3(SW) Brian Jones.

The ULA, like the Chief Petty Officers Association (CPOA) and the First Class Petty Officers Association, participates in community activities and command fundraisers that benefit San

Diego-area charities and schools. Although all three groups sponsor similar functions, the ULA is the only organization where junior petty officers get to plan activities and make decisions for the group.

Jones said recruiting new members will allow the group to plan bigger events and gain new insight as to the wants and needs of the crew.

Aside from raising money for good causes and getting junior Sailors used to leadership roles, the ULA also offers its members benefits they can't get anywhere else.

Jones said special disbursing services are available to ULA members who want to have minor pay problems

resolved without the inconvenience of standing in line. They receive electronic LES reports, and they can also ask pay questions via e-mail. An ESWS/EAWS program is also in the works that will help members get qualified faster by putting them in direct contact with individuals who are

"Our goal is to make junior petty officers into functioning parts of the command and to get them all dualwarfare qualified in one year's time," Jones said.

qualified to train and sign off the

warfare qualification sheets.

These conveniences are nice.

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(From Left to Right) Ens. Mike Bornstein, Ens. Luis Marroquin, AKC Eric Jansen, Capt. R.K. Gallagher, CMDMC(AW/SS) Bret Druesne and Cdr. J.B. Miller proudly display JCS' contribution to the NMCRS.

Thank You Shipmates!

The Navy/Marine Corps Relief Society has been helping shipmates since 1904. This relief comes in a variety of ways.

NMCRS is a private, nonprofit, volunteer service organization. Their funds are generated by contibutions made by other Sailors.

JCS crewmembers donated more than \$53,000 to assist shipmates in need. This amount was the most contributed from all of Commander Naval Air Forces Pacific Fleet assets.

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Remembing his family ties to Pearl Harbor

Story and Photo by JOSN James Martin

As we edge closer to Hawaii and the beautiful sandy beaches, we have among us those who have more than surfing in mind. One of those among us is thinking *Kaneohe*.

MMI James O'Conner, from Reactor Department Machinery Division, is looking forward to showing his wife Kaneohe, Hawaii, one of the first places bombed by the Japanese, which was where his grandfathers were stationed during December 7, 1941. The movie "Pearl Harbor" is going to be interesting to him because he wants to see if it is going to show Kaneohe or the carrier that his grandfather was on.

"It is really a double edge sword though," said O'Conner. "Both my grandfathers passed away right before this, and they really loved to tell their stories. This would have been great for them."

O'Conner has brought along some of the memorabilia from his grandfathers' service during World War Two. He uses them to help remember and learn exactly what it was that his grandfathers were doing there during that moment in history. Among those things is a flight book from his grandfather who was onboard the aircraft carrier USS Lexington, which sailed into the harbor right after the attack of the



MM1 James O' Conner takes a moment to read through his grandfather's WWII Flight Book and reflect upon his heritage.

Japanese bombers. The carrier launched 18 airplanes which joined others already in the air and succeeded in shooting down 28 enemy planes and sinking three 2-man submarines while only loosing four of their own aircraft.

One thing that O'Conner wants while he is in Hawaii is to represent his grandfathers and to keep alive their spirit.

"I am there for them. They are no longer with us and I want to make sure that what they have done is remembered," he stated. "There is only me, my brothers and my parents left and the only way to keep your family ties strong is to revisit them."



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Night Moves!



AR Termont Dance goes head-to-head to drive in for the score against defender ITSN Dennis Brown during a night basketball game held in Hangar Bay 2.

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SAILOR OF THE DAY

May 12, 2001 Commitment



Courage



Name: RPFN Rafael Barney **Assigned to:** Command Religious

Ministries

Hometown: Queens, New York **Reported Aboard:** November 18, 2000 **Job Description:** "I take care of all of the administrative responsibilities in the Religious Ministries office. I also maintain the ship's library."

Favorite Movie: Exit Wounds **Places Visited while in the Navy:**

California and Chicago.

Reason for joining the Navy: "I wanted to better my future."

Most memorable event in career:

"That was when I was assigned to the Religious Ministries."

Hobbies: "Shopping, playing basketball, sightseeing, being a music DJ, and taking PACE courses."

JCS Perspectives

Why did you decide to participate in the onboard Smoking Cessation Class?

AN Peter Champion



I want to improve my endurance when I go to the gym to work out.

AO2 Jermaine Brower



I want to quit for my family members. I have children and I want to be a good example to them.

FA Evan Bennett



I'm quitting because I want to live longer, I want to save money, and besides... even though I smoke I really don't like the smell.

SK2 Harrison Beverly



I don't want to suffer from any smoke related illnesses. I want to increase my chances of living longer!

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JCS TELEVISION

Monday, May 14

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0000 Crazy In Alabama

0200 Drowning Mona

0400 Gloria

0600 Evening Reports

0610 Happy Gilmore

0900 What Lies Beneath

1130 Navy/Marine Corps News

1200 Under A Hula Moon

1400 Mask Of Zorro

1630 Dr. Doolittle

1800 Evening Reports

1810 Rocky II

2030 Meet the Parents

2230 Dark Angel: The Ascent

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0000 Three Men & A Baby

0200 Dangerous Minds

0400 Father of the Bride

0600 Evening Reports

0610 Home Improvements

0900 Dead Poet's Society

1130 Navy/Marine Corps News

1200 Father of the Bride 2

1400 Con Air

1600 While You Were Sleeping

1800 Evening Reports

1810 Remember the Titans

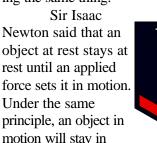
2030 History: Pearl Harbor

2300 Music Videos

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but the main advantage to being in the ULA is that you have a forum to voice

your concerns about issues specific to JCS. If you have a problem, you can talk to other members at meetings and find out if others are experiencing the same thing.



motion unless a force slows it down or changes its direction.

Newton probably didn't have the crew of USS John C. Stennis (CVN 74) in mind when he published his theories on motion 500 or so years ago, but his principles can be applied to carrier life.

Change doesn't happen by itself; it takes energy. A little change usually requires a small amount of energy. On the other hand, it takes a lot of energy to make a big change.

As a junior petty officer, you've probably been around long enough to

notice some things that need changing. Although it may be difficult or confusing at times, your perspective is unique. You are the tools that the senior leadership uses to enforce regulations, judge command climate, and make sure the job gets done. You're not at the top, but you're not at the bottom either so you see both sides of the equation.

By yourself, you might not have the time to make a change yourself. But by getting involved in the ULA, you're offering help to others and in turn, others will be there to help you.

Second and Third Class Petty Officers: remember Newton. Get the ball rolling by joining the Unified Leaders Associaton!

Attention Unified Leaders
Associaton Members or any
Second or Third Class Petty
Officer interested in joining.
There will be a ULA Meeting on
Monday, May 14. Please come if
you can.

Contact BM3 Jones at J-7772 if you have questions.

